

Ideas for Reactions in your notebooks...

	Literal	Interpretive	Critical
Readers think about how the setting creates a mood in a story.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tell the setting and time period using examples from the story. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draw a picture of a scene. Explain the mood of the story. Explain how the setting changes the actions or scenery. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How would the story be different if the setting or time period were changed? How would you or the life you have be different if you lived during the time of the book? Research some of the words or events from the time period and explain what you learn and how it changes your interpretation.
As readers we make judgments about characters based on their actions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create a character map or list of characters from the book 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain what a character says or does and what you think of them Tell which character you like or dislike Describe the good and evil characters in the story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Which character is most like you or someone you know? Explain why you think the author created the character the way they did? Give examples of how a characters actions keep the story interesting Retell a scene from the point of view of another character Compare a character from this story to another character from a different story Choose s scene and explain how it would be different if the character had changed their actions Give your own theory about a character and how they might change as the story continues
Readers learn lessons from stories so they don't have to experience them on their own.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain what lessons you learned from this story. Create a cartoon or comic strip where the character tells you what lesson they hope you learned from the story. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write about something that happens in the book that you hope to never experience or really want to experience in your own life. Choose a scene and explain how you would have handled it differently. Research the author and see if you can find out their motivation for writing the story.
Critical readers look for symbols and themes in stories. They begin to see that certain objects or colors represent themes in a story.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain a symbol that you found in your story and what you think it means. Explain your theory for why the author included the symbol. Explain how the symbol becomes more powerful than words.

<p>Readers consider various points of view.</p> <p>Readers look at a single event from various points of view.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select an event or small moment in the story and retell it from the perspective of another character. • Select a character that you wish you knew more about in the story. Explain what you noticed about their actions and what questions you have about them. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compare an event in the story to an event in your own life and explain how you acted like a character or completely different from a character. • Select a scene and give your opinion about why the author included the details they did or why you think the author has selected to tell the story through the eyes of the main character.
<p>Readers look at how characters change based on the choices they make.</p>	<p>Explain which character changes in the story and explain which events were most important</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compare and contrast a selected character from the beginning to the end of a story. (venn diagram) • Identify what you think is a turning point in the story. Explain the event that changed a character and how it influenced them. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain why you think the author included certain events and what theme or message they want you to learn from the character.
<p>Readers are alert to foreshadowing and make predictions.</p>	<p>Give an example of foreshadowing in the story and explain what you think will happen next.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Return to your prediction and explain if you were correct or not. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how the author builds tension into the story through the use of hints and clues that foreshadow. Tell which pieces of foreshadowing got your interest the most.